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In mid-March 1955, a destructive fire broke out at the Hirschfelde VEB power plant. Oil flowing from a burst oil-delivery pipe to a 50 mw generator caught fire and ignited the generator as well as the initial-stage turbine. Apparently the machinery house and the initial-stage turbine were completely destroyed, while the damaged 50 mw generator can be repaired. In view of the current shortage of materials it can, however, not be predicted if or when the repairs will be carried out.

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